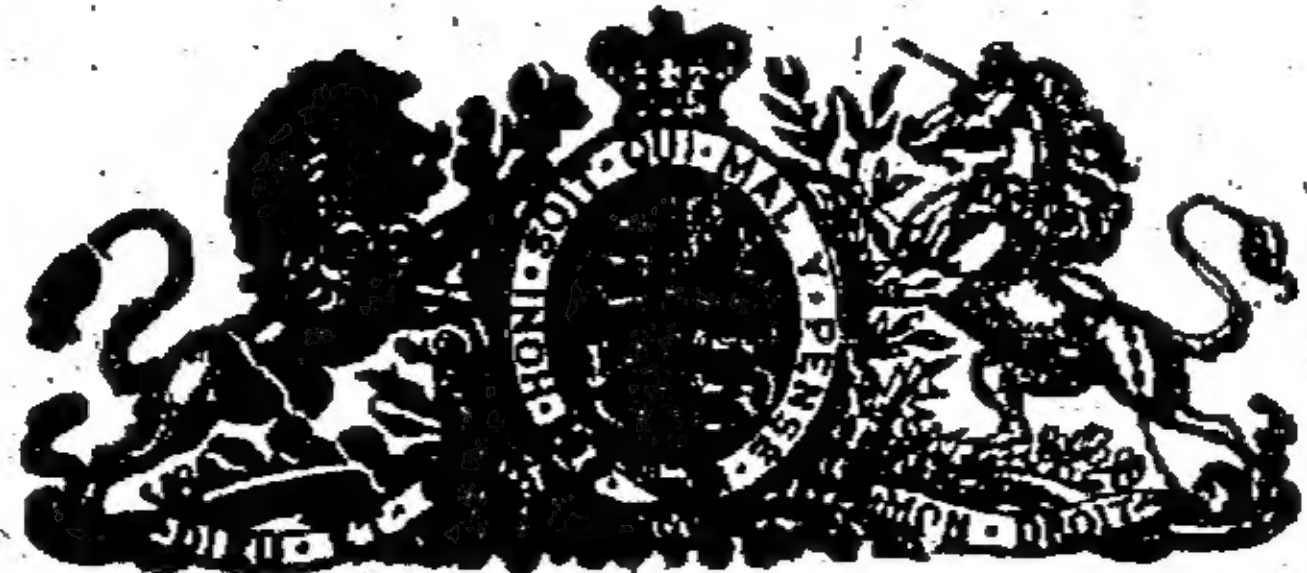


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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, £1,400,000 Dollars.

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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS. (Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000. RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Bergère, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Bank.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on Fixed Deposits:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL, £466,250. RESERVE FUND, £20,000.

HEAD OFFICE—39a, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND. NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on Fixed Deposits according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SALE OF ENGLISH, AMERICAN AND CHINESE MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.; AND ONE CHINA'S PATENT FIREPROOF SAFE.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 24th January, 1880, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Auction Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf,—

English-made Walnut Drawing-room SUITE, Walnut and Mahogany Card Tables, Mahogany Centre Table, Walnut Corner Whatnots and Side Table, Blackwood Marble-top Round and Side Tables, Teapots, Mirrors, Engravings, Marble Clock, Steel and Ornate Fender and Fire Irons, Turkey Carpet, Hearth Rugs, &c.
Teakwood Dining TABLE, Sideboard and Whatnots, English-made Mahogany Morocco Covered Dining-room Chairs, Easy Chairs, Solid Mahogany Book-Case, Electro-plated Dish-Covers, Side-Dishes, Candlesticks, Cruets, Pickle and Liqueur Stands, Ivory Handled Table Cutlery, Electro-plated Table and Dessert Spoons and Forks, Glassware, Crockery Ware, &c.
American Walnut Bed-room SUITE, consisting of Bedstead and Spring Mattress, Marble-top Washstand, Marble-top Bureau, Chamber Stand, Teapoy, Wardrobe, Toilet Set, Mahogany Cheval Glass, Iron Bedsteads, Children's Cot, Chest of Drawers, Shanghai Bath Tub, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 17, 1880. ja24

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

"OUR BOYS" COMPANY

Will have the honour of giving their FIRST PERFORMANCE,

THIS EVENING,

THE 21st JANUARY, 1880,

When will be presented

THE CHARMING COMEDY IN THREE ACTS, entitled

"A LESSON IN LOVE."

Characters: Captain Freeman (from India).....MR G. CROFTON.

Orlando Middlemark (his Friend).....MR FRANK STUART. Babbiebrook (nick-named The News-paper).....MR GEO. NORVILLE.

Servant.....MR THOMAS. Mrs Sutherland (a Charming Widow).....MISS EMILY BLAIN.

Miss Anastasia Winterberry (a Spinster).....MRS NORVILLE. Edith Leslie (a Nurse).....MISS MINNIE NORDT.

Plautist.....MRS. EUGENE PRION. Violinist.....MRS. HENRI GARD.

NOTICE.—The Company will give THREE PERFORMANCES ONLY.

Pricing of Admission: Dress Circle and Stalls.....\$2. Pit.....\$1.

Doors Open at 8.30; Performance to commence at 9 p.m.

Seats may be secured at Messrs KELLY and WALKER'S, where a plan of the Theatre can be seen.

GEO. NORVILLE, Business Manager.

Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja23

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

will perform

"THE SORCERER"

AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE, ON A DAY TO BE NAMED SHORTLY.

Tickets may be purchased and places secured at Messrs LAKE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after SATURDAY, the 17th Instant.

Tickets, admission only.....\$2. Do., admission and Book of Words (on-entering Theatre) \$2.50.

For the Committee, R. LYALL.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr O. GRAVE in our Firm CEASED, by Expiration of Contract, on the 31st of December, 1879.

Mr O. GRAVE will Continue to Sign our Firm until 31st May of 1880. Mr GUSTAV FISCHER has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this Date.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, 1st of January, 1880. fe2

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr LEONARD STAEL in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last. Mr F. C. DITTMER is authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

HESSE & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents, ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. 3se80

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN CHINA.

THE Forty-first Annual MEETING of this SOCIETY is appointed to be held at the House of Messrs RUSSELL & Co., SHAMPOO, on THURSDAY, the 29th Current, at Two o'clock p.m.

J. G. KERR, Secretary.

Canton, 15th January, 1880. ja24

NOTICE.

THE Business of HEINEMANN & Co., SHIP BROKERS, will, from the 1st January, 1880, be CARRIED ON under the Name of R. STEIL.

HEINEMANN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1879. ja31

Intimations.

NOTICE.

OUR Friend TSANG MAN PAN came from SINGAPORE to HONGKONG, by the Steamer "Teucer," which arrived here on the 19th December, and was despatched for AMOY on the 27th December. During the same night the Poor Passenger was suddenly attacked by severe Disease and was Dead at Midnight. After this sad event the CAPTAIN, OFFICERS, and CREW of that Vessel, and We consulted together and packed up the Corps into a Coffin, and it was taken to Amoy, his native place. This great and good act of these Gentlemen is gratefully acknowledged by his comrades.

OHING HUNG AND OTHERS.

Hongkong, January 19, 1880. ja26

NOTICE.

MR FR. KLAMPERMEYER informs the Community of Hongkong that he has Opened THIS DAY the HOTEL INTERNATIONAL, 63, Praya Central.

Hongkong, January 20, 1880. ja27

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned requests that All CLAIMS against the late FIRM of COHEN & HEATON be sent to him on or before January 23rd Inst.

CHARLES C. COHEN.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880. ja30

NOTICE.

Re MARTIN LUTHER BEVIS, Deceased.

ALL Persons INDEBTED to the Estate of the late MARTIN LUTHER BEVIS are hereby Requested to make immediate Payment to the Undersigned, and all Persons having CLAIMS against the said Estate to present the same on or before the 31st JANUARY, 1880.

JAMES SCOTT, H. M. Acting Consul.

Kiungchow, January 15, 1880. ja31

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS—No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

NOTICE.

DR. EASTLAKE has Returned from MANILA, and will Receive PATIENTS at his OFFICE, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880. fe2

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

MR. J. F. SHUSTER begs to announce that he carries on from this Date the above Establishment, as a FIRST-CLASS HOTEL. The House is now being THOROUGHLY RENOVATED and RE-FURNISHED. Mr SHUSTER hopes by strict attention to Business, and by supplying the BEST of LIQUORS, to merit a share of Public Patronage. The house has AMPLIFIED ACCOMMODATION for BOARDERS, who will meet with every comfort. The Table will be of the Best and the Charges strictly Moderate. The Proprietor will be at all times ready to supply PICNIC PARTIES and to provide DINNERS for PARTIES of Six and upwards on very REASONABLE TERMS.

TWO NEW BOWLING ALLEYS HAVE BEEN LAID.

English and American BILLIARD TABLES.

TIFFIN at ONE; DINNER at SEVEN.

WINE AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY.

ORIENTAL HOTEL, J. F. SHUSTER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, November 5, 1879. fe

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "MENMUIR" will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 23rd Inst., at Daylight, instead of the time previously named.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, January 19, 1880. ja28

FOR SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship "ESCAMBIA," Capt. WINDGOS, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BIRLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1880.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Capt. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 22nd Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.

Hongkong, January 19, 1880. ja22

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "MENELOUS," Capt. E. BILLINGER, will be despatched on or about the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Company's Steamship "ULYSSES," Capt. J. A. GUARD, will be despatched on or about the 24th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 16, 1880.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship "GLENIFER," Capt. GRAHAM, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 10, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "HECTOR," Capt. H. JONES, will be despatched on or about the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1880.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIERE," Commandant REYNIER, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCA

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.,

HAVE JUST LANDED FROM
THE AMERICAN MAIL
THE following STORES, in
Excellent Condition:-

Fresh Roll BUTTER,
Finest Comb HONEY, in Frame.
Do. Do. in Bottles.
Fresh Apples,
Dried Sliced Dittos.
Bonelass CODFISH.
Georges Bank Do.
Finest Eastern Factory CREAM CHEESE.
Mild California Do.
Smoked SALMON.
Family Meat BEEF, in 25 lbs. kegs.
Oregon Pickled OX TONGUES, very fine.
Family PORK, in 25 lbs. kegs.
American HAMS.
Do. BACON.
CORNMEAL, HOMINY, CRACKED
WHEAT.
OATMEAL, RYE FLOUR, BUCK-
WHEAT FLOUR.
CORN BROOMS, CORN WISPS.
Table FRUITS, Bartlett PEARS, APRI-
COTS, PEACHES.
Stuffed PEPPERS, ASPARAGUS.
APPLE SAUCE, CRANBERRY SAUCE.
OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, SALMON,
CLAMS.
PEANUTS, PECAN NUTS, BRAZIL
NUTS.
CREAM OF TARTAR, SALERATUS.
Merrill's Eastern CIDER.
Winstons' Celebrated GREEN CORN.
LIMA BEANS, SUCCATAES, SUGAR
PEAS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER
CAKES.
MILK BISCUITS.
ALPHABET BISCUITS.
OYSTER BISCUITS.
WAFER BISCUITS.
SODA BISCUITS.

Ex S.S. "GLENFINLAS" and Late
Arrivals.

SMYRNA FIGS.
Muscatel BLOOM RAISINS.
JORDAN ALMONDS.
Cooking and Table PRUNES.
Pudding TAININS and CURRANTS.
Candied PEEL.
MINCEMEAT in 1-lb. tins.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
CARAWAY SEEDS.
SCHWITZER'S COCOATINA.
HANTONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and
TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.
GAME PIES.
Potted MEATS.
Prime Yorkshire HAMS.
Prime Wiltshire BACON in Tins & Canvases.
OX-TONGUES in JELLY.
TRUFFLES.

Champagne, &c.

HEIDSIECK & Co.'s MONOPOL, Pints
and Quarts.
ADOLPHE COLIN'S BOUZY CABINET,
MOMM'S (JULIEN) CHAMPAGNE, Pints and
Quarts.
NEVEN'S (BODEN) BOUZY, Pils. and Qts.
CHARLES HEIDSIECK'S WHITE SEAL,
Pints and Quarts.
VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN, Pints
and Quarts.
THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s VERZENAY
MOUSSEUX, Pints and Quarts.
KRU'S CHAMPAGNE, Pints and Quarts.
PERRIER JOUET in Quarts.

Claret.

THIBIEUF (CHATEAU), Pints and Quarts.
CHATEAU LAROSE (CHATEAU & ADT'S),
Pints and Quarts.
CHATEAU LAFITE, Pints and Quarts.
IRES GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.
BREAKFAST CLARET, Pints & Quarts.
OLD INVALID CLARET.
St. JULIEN, &c., &c.

Burgundy, Hock, Sherries, &c.

Chamberlain, Chablis (white), Liebfraumilch,
Hockheimer, Niersteimer, Steinberger
Cabinet, Rudesheimer Berg, Konig-
sberg, Victoria Berg, Chateau
Yquem, Grand Vin, Haut
Sauterne, Marsala, Sac-
cone's Pale Dry White Seal
Sherry, Yellow Seal Amontillado
Sherry, Cullen Palmer and Company's
Sherry, Invalid Port (1848), Hunt's Port.

Brandy, Whisky, Liqueurs, &c.

1, 2 and 3-star Hennessy's Brandy, La
Grande Marque Brandy, Cullen Palmer
& Co.'s Brandy, Ruyver Guillet &
Co.'s Brandy, 1 to 4 stars;
Finest Old Bourbon Whisky, highly recom-
mended, Kinahan's LL Irish Whisky,
Jameson's Irish Whisky, Royal
Glendee Whisky;
AVH Gin, Swaine Boord & Co.'s Old Tom
Gin; La Grande Chartreuse, Green
and Yellow, Maraschino de Zara,
Curacao, Pils. & Qts.; Augu-
stura, Boker's and Orange
Bitters, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE, bottled by CAMERON & HAUN-

DEES, Pints and Quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J.
BURNS, Pints and Quarts.
PILSENER BEER, in Quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
SHELTZ MILWAUKEE BEER.
BUDENBER BEER.
BOCA BEER.
ALBION ALE.
BEATZ MILWAUKEE BEER.
ALE and PORTER, in Bulk, (Hhds. and
Kilderkins).

Ships' STORES of every description,
Hemp and Cotton CANVAS.
Russian, Manila, and Wire ROPE.
SAIL-MAKING and RIGGING promptly
executed.

Specially Selected CIGARS.

Princesa CHEROOTS.
Cavite CHEROOTS.
Princesa CIGARS.
Cavite CIGARS.
Arcoiros CIGARS.
Vegueros CIGARS.
Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes
of 100.
Choice No. 3 Mela CHEROOTS.
Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.
New Season's PRESENT TEA, in 5 and
10 Catty Boxes.
Hongkong, January 13, 1880.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,
in Quarts and Pints.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE,
awarded the
GOLD MEDAL AT THE PARIS EXHIBITION.
DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX:
Quarts.....\$17 per Case of 1 doz.
Pints.....\$18 " " " 2 doz.
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21f80

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Half-
Yearly MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be Held
at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 50A,
QUEEN'S ROAD, on FRIDAY, the 30th
January instant, at 3 o'clock in the after-
noon, for the purpose of receiving a Re-
port of the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend
and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 17th to the
30th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, January 3, 1880.
AN ELEVENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL
at the Rate of TWO-TENTHS per
SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of
Record on 12th January, Payable at
the Office of the Liquidators, on MON-
DAY, 19th January.
Warrants will then be delivered by the
Undersigned to Shareholders, or their
lawful representatives, on presentation of
Share Certificates for Endorsement.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 19th
January, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

W. B. SPRATT & Co. have lately
added an Extensive MACHINE
SHOP and other APPLIANCES to the former
Advantages of those Docks.
The DIMENSIONS of the Dock are:-460
Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Or-
dinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24 Ft.
Office, 20, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, October 4, 1879. 40c80

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:-

Moses B. TOWEN, American barkentine,
Capt. C. Hall.-Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MIDDLESEX, British barque, Captain A.
Walsh.-Borneo Company.
GARIBOLDI, American barque, Capt. T.
J. Forbes.-Jardine, Matheson & Co.
PRINCE FREDERICK, British ship, Capt.
John Clague.-Vogel & Co.
MADRI, American barque, Capt. Francis
Hallett.-Captain.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship
"DIAMANTE,"
Captain COLLEN, will be de-
spatched for the above Port
on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja28

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Escombia* having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees of
Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of Messrs NORTON & Co.,
whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats
delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded un-
less notice to the contrary be given before
4 p.m. To-day.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
26th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Consignees of Cargo from London will be
required to sign an Average Bond.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
BIRLEY & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja28

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOI.

The Steamship
"HAINAN,"
Capt. CONNER, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports
TO-MORROW, the 22nd inst., at 6 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. ja22

FOR STORAGE.

IN GODOWNS, PRAYA CENTRAL, from
the 1st February next.
Apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 21, 1880. fe21

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 20, 7.30 p.m., *Hainan*, American
steamer, 281, J. W. Conner, Pakhoi Jan.
16, 6 p.m., *Hulhow* 18, 6 a.m., and Macao
20, 1.15 p.m., General.-RUSSELL & Co.
Jan. 20, *Emma*, German 3 m. schooner,
233, Michelgling, Chefoo Jan. 11, Beans.-
CAPTAIN.
Jan. 21, *Floral Star*, British 3-m. sch.,
244, G. W. Davison, Touron Jan. 3, Gen-
eral.-ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Jan. 21, *Escombia*, British steamer, 1408,
Wildgoose, London Nov. 5, and Singapore
Jan. 9, General.-BIRLEY & Co.
Jan. 21, *Chin-lung*, Chinese steamer,
from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 21, *Southern Cross*, for San Francisco.
21, *City of Boston*, for New York.
21, *Elizabeth Childs*, for London.
21, *Chameron Kanmye*, for Bangkok.
21, *Sun-kee*, Chi. g.b., for Canton.
21, *An-lan*, Chi. g.b., for Hoihow.
21, *Peiho*, for Marseilles, &c.
21, *Sophie*, for Whampoa.
21, *Hermine*, for Whampoa.

CLEARED.

Papa, for Bangkok.
Douglas, for Swatow.
Friedrich Perthes, for New York.
Escombia, for Shanghai.
Claverhouse, for Shanghai.
Hesperus, for Takao.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Floral Star*, from Touron, 82 Chi-
nese.
Per *Escombia*, from Singapore, 32 Chi-
nese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Peiho*, for Saigon, Mr. J. Le Gray,
and 14 Chinese; for Singapore, Mrs. R. L.
S. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. A. Wade
and servant; for Marseilles, Messrs J.
Cozon, A. Gutzwig, G. Davis, Mrs. Mead,
Mrs. Heaton, Mr. McDonald, and Captain
Watt.-From Shanghai: for Suez, Rev.
Reveries Palmer; for Marseilles, Mr. and Mrs.
Cleave, Messrs E. A. Sassoon, J. E. Jan-
sen, Mr. Arcene, Capt. E. Sassoon, Messrs
Macawber, Garrett, A. Crawford, and J.
Rutledge.-From Yokohama: for Galla-
pi, Mr. Roeder; for Naples, Mr. and Mrs. Gaseo
and infant; for Marseilles, Capt. and Mrs.
Falconnet, Mr. E. Moulton, Mr. and Mrs.
Sedwa.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American steamer *Hainan* reports:
Left Pakhoi at 6 p.m. on the 16th.
Arrived at Hoihow at 10.30 a.m. on the 17th.
Moderate E. and N.E. winds till arrival.
Left Hoihow at 6 a.m. on the 18th, strong
N.E. winds. Anchored off Macao at mid-
night on 19th. Got under way at 6.15 a.m.
on 20th, and arrived in port at 6.45 a.m.
Left Macao at 1.15 p.m. same day. And
arrived in port at 7.30 p.m. on 20th, fine
weather till arrival. Passed H.B.M. gun-
nervel *Sheldrake* from Hoihow at 7.30 a.m.
on the 18th, steering for Nowchow and
bound for Hongkong.
The German 3-masted schooner *Emma*
reports: First part of passage light winds,
the latter part strong monsoon and thick
misty weather.
The British 3-masted schooner *Floral*
Star reports: First part fresh Easterly
gales, latter part strong N.E. and Northerly
gales.

CARGO.

Per S. S. *Paho*, sailed 21st January:-
For Continent, 2,628 bales Silk, 150 bales
Waste Silk, 1 bale Cocoon, 28 cases Silk,
and 245 pkgs. Sundries.-For London, 145
bales Silk, 115 bales Waste Silk, 10 bales
Pongee, 663 pkgs. and 826 pkgs. Tea, 3
cases Silk, 469 pkgs. Sundries, and 2 cases
Treasure (\$35,100).

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA.-
Per *Escombia*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 22nd inst.

For HOIHOW AND PAKHOI.-
Per *Hainan*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
22nd inst.

For SINGAPORE, AND E. AUSTRALIA,
&c.-
Per *Memuir*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday,
22nd inst., instead of as previously
notified. (24 cents rate.)

For MANILA.-
Per *Diamante*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday,
the 23rd inst.

For SAIGON.-
Per *Chin-lung*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the
23rd inst.

For JAPAN via KOBE.-
Per *Sumida Maru*, at 5 p.m., on Friday,
the 23rd inst., instead of as previous-
ly notified.

For MANILA.-
Per brig *Villa de Rivadavia*, at 10 a.m.,
on Tuesday, the 27th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Traouaddy*
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 4th February, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples, to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,
the Australasian Colonies, Pondicherry,
Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Egypt, Malta
and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Bokhara*
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 28th instant, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.-This Packet carries no mails for the
Australasian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

HOURS FOR CLOSING

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Day of Departure.

5 p.m.-Money Order Office closes.
5.30 p.m.-Post Office closes till 8 p.m.,
except the Night Box, which is
always open out of Office hours.
8 p.m.-Post Office opens.
9 p.m.-Registry of Letters ceases.
Posting of all printed matter
and patterns ceases.
10 p.m.-Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.
10.10 p.m.-Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents until
10.30 p.m.-when the Post Office closes
entirely.
10.40 p.m.-Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late
Fee of 18 cents until time of
departure.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, January 21.
OPIUM.-Now Patna, cash...\$600
" Old " cash... 550
" New Benares, cash, 575
" Old " cash, 555
" New Malwa, credit, 740
" Allowance Tails, -
" Old Malwa, credit, 790
" Allowance Tails, -

Exchange.

Bank, Wire... 3/9
" Demand... 3/10
" 30 days' sight... 3/10 1/2
" 4 months' sight... 3/10 1/2
Credits, 4 " 3/10 1/2
Documentary, 4 months' sight, 3/10 1/2
India, Wire... 22 1/2
" demand... 22 1/2
Shanghai, demand... 73 1/2
" 80 days' sight... 73 1/2
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine... 27.
Sovereigns... 5.25.

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 62 1/2 prem. sellers.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,425, sales.
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,325, sales.
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,200, sales.
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 740
Chinese Insurance Co., \$300, ex divi.
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$825, sales.
China Fire Ins. Co., \$230, sales.
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 10 1/2 prem. sales.
H.K. O. M. S.-boat Co., \$25 prem. buyers.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 11
China Coal St. Nav. Co., Tls. 109
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$66.
China Sugar Refining Co., \$100, sales.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal
of 1877, do.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises,
Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, January 21.
BAROMETER-9 A.M.... 30.264
Do. 1 P.M.... 30.190
Do. 4 P.M.... 30.186
THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 66
Do. 1 P.M.... 68
Do. 4 P.M.... 69
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 64
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 66
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 66
Do. Maximum over night 68
Do. Minimum over night 62

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest
London and Colonial Papers, &c.:-
VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

at HONGKONG
Left. Name. From.
May.
5, Alexander, Penarth
31, Newcastle, Antwerp
June.
27, Pym, Antwerp
July.
19, Comus, Glasgow
24, Primrose, Penarth
Aug.
9, Eliz. Rickmers, Penarth
16, Minnie Carrill, Cardiff
17, Coldstream, Antwerp
Sept.
13, Carmelita & Ida, Cuxhaven
20, Lucia, London
23, Livingston, Cuxhaven
Oct.
3, Parnas, Cardiff
9, Ganymede (s), Liverpool
16, Peru, Flushing
17, Chilli, Flushing
24, West Glen, Antwerp
25, Palestine, London
26, James S. Stone, New York
26, Bernhard Carl, (for Penarth
Swatow) Antwerp
Nov.
11, Nautilus, Hamburg
16, Elide, Penarth
19, Joseph, Flushing
22, Fleders, Hamburg
25, Carl Ritter, Hamburg
26, Formosa, Hamburg
LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.
At London.-Steamers via Suez Canal.
Komura Castle. Glenlyon.
Flintshire. Benarty.
Sailing Vessels.
Crossfield. Sumatra.
William Ritson. Moroa.
Melbrook.
At Liverpool.
Ulysses (s). Sarpedon (s).
Priam (s). Castillo (s).
At Hamburg.
Niagara. River Logan.
Lydia (s). Hana.
At Antwerp.
General Fairchild. Steelfield.
Cora. Singapore.
Highmoor. Vale of Nith.

MEWOS. FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping.

Daylight.-*Douglas* leaves for Coast
Ports.
6 p.m.-*Hainan* leaves for Hoihow, &c.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, January 23:-
Daylight.-*Memuir* leaves for Singa-
pore, Brisbane, &c.
Noon.-*Diamante* leaves for Manila.

SATURDAY, January 24:-
Daylight.-*Milan Bishi* Mail leaves for
Yokohama via Kobe.
2 p.m.-Auction of Household Furniture,
at Mr. G. R. Lammer's Sales Room.

MONDAY, January 26:-
Goods per *Escombia* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 28:-
11 p.m.-*English Mail* leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, January 30:-
3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the
H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited,
at No. 50A, Queen's Road.

WEDNESDAY, February 4:-
1 p.m.-*American Mail* leaves for Yoko-
hama and San Francisco.

WEDNESDAY, February 26:-
3 p.m.-*Oriental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s*
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

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Water, and other Aerated Waters.
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continuous European Supervision.
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

PASSENGERS arriving in Hongkong, or any
other persons who may desire to con-
sult the files of local, China, Japan,
American, English, Indian or Austr-
lian newspapers, are invited to call at
the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over
sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies,
from these countries, are from to-day
filed for reference.

Hongkong, Jan. 1, 1880.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.40 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21, 1880.

We had a case in the Summary Juris-
diction Court some six weeks ago or
more, in which a firm of hotelkeepers
failed to secure the remedy they sought
against a debtor, simply because none
of his chits were over \$5 (although
together they ran up to more than that
sum); and this week we have been
edified by an unprincipled attempt made
in public, on the simple ground that it
was a gambling debt, to evade payment
of a sum of money acknowledged to be
due. Both the cases are contemptible
enough in themselves, but together, they
raise one or two considerations as to
these larger questions, with what ob-
ject have the laws been framed which pre-
vent the recovery of certain debts, and
how far and under what circumstances
is a man morally justified in pleading
the privileges that exist in Law. That
a man should pay what he owes is the
Law of Honour, the Law of the Land,
and the command of the Scriptures.
This the Judges who administer the
Law publicly recognise; and no bar
to the recovery of debts of one kind
or another takes away one iota from
the force of this axiom. But in the
interests of public convenience there
have been laid down certain rules to
regulate the recovery of debts. In order to
protect men against antiquated demands,
of their discharge from which it is not pro-
bable that they have preserved the evi-
dence-it is unreasonable to expect that
they should do so-the Law prescribes a
limited time to certain species of pri-
vate securities beyond which it will not
enforce them or lend its assistance to the
recovery of the debt, and this statute of
limitations, or "prescription" as it is
called in Scotland, any man who is
ignorant or dubious of the justice
of a demand made upon him may
conscientiously plead. In the same
way, to preserve youth from the mal-
practices and impositions to which their
inexperience exposes them, the Law will
not compel the payment of any debt to
which it is pleaded that it was incurred
when the debtor was under the age of
21 years. Claims for debts incurred in
gambling are not recoverable, for the
reason that all gambling is illegal.
But whoever borrows money is bound
in conscience to repay it, however illegally,
unwisely or unprofitably the borrower
may have applied the money lent to him.
Getting another man to pay money
out for one, from which expenditure

the party favoured secures a benefit,
is tantamount in fact and in Law to
borrowing money of him. So that, if
a man pays money out for another in
satisfaction even of a gambling debt of
the borrower, the lender can recover.
The obligation of promises is to be
measured by the expectation which the
promiser anyhow knowingly and volun-
tarily excites; and nothing within the
range of human possibility save the pay-
ment of the money promised relieves
the purchaser from his responsibility.
With the view of discouraging tipping
scores, it is enacted that no licensed
person shall maintain any action in
respect of any account for liquor sup-<

ary to throw overboard 150 tons of cargo from the forward part of the ship before she could be got off. The damage done was trifling, simply a crack or split about ten inches long in one of her plates, but it had the serious effect of necessitating the discharge and reloading of nearly all her cargo at Aden, which detained the ship there for no less than twenty days. A Court of Inquiry held at Aden entirely exonerated the Captain and Officers of the ship from all blame on account of the mishap, and it was mentioned that a lightship would shortly be placed over the reef. The *Escombia* experienced fine weather from the Thames until entering the China Sea, when she had rough and dirty weather to port.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending January 18th:—

	LIBRARY.	MUSEUM.
Mon. Jan. 12th,	3	49
Tues. " 13th,	3	58
Wed. " 14th,	4	33
Thurs. " 15th,	5	55
Fri. " 16th,	2	68
Sat. " 17th,	7	59
Sun. " 18th,	4	Sunday.
		Sunday.
Totals	28	317
Grand total,	3,456.	3,111

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)
Wednesday, Jan. 21st.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

Samuel Gough, a seaman unemployed, was charged with being drunk and incapable in the public streets yesterday. This was his fifth appearance within a few months.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5, in default fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labor.

Madri, a native of Singapore, also a seaman unemployed, was fined 50 cents, in default two days' imprisonment with hard labor, for being drunk and incapable yesterday.

John Sanson, an engineer unemployed, was fined \$1 for being drunk and incapable in the public streets yesterday.

BRANCHES OF THE OPIUM ORDINANCE.
LI AWING, a shopman, again appeared on remand from the 14th instant charged with boiling and preparing opium without a license from the Opium Farmer.

A letter was read in Court by the Magistrate from Mr. H. McCullum, the Government Analyst, correcting the evidence he gave on the 14th. Any misconception that may have existed as to what the witness said or meant was not due to the Magistrate nor to the reporters; it may be as well to state this, because it is not quite apparent from Mr. McCullum's note. A witness called to speak on a scientific point above all persons make himself plainly understood in the witness box:—

"GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL,"
January 15, 1880.

"The Hon. C. B. Plunket,"
Magistrate.

"Sir,—With reference to the report in last night's *China Mail* of the evidence given by me before you in the LI AWING opium case, there are some points I am desirous of correcting. First, I not only infer but state as a fact that the substance in the bottle contained morphia equal to one per cent solution of average opium. Second, I am of opinion that the two substances in the tin case are not preparations of sassafras seed from the fact that they contain no oil, sassafras seed containing over 30 per cent of oil. Third, what I intended to convey to your mind was that opium exhausted of morphia is considered by some authorities still to have sedative properties, morphia acid, although a characteristic property of opium is considered to be an inert substance. I trust my desire to give correct information will be a sufficient excuse for troubling you on the matter."

Defendant was discharged on the ground that neither the 19 packages nor the stuff in the three jars contained any opium.

The case of Chan Chong, also remanded from the 4th instant, on a somewhat similar charge was again called to-day, but at the request of the Solicitors on both sides the further hearing was postponed till Wednesday next, the 28th instant, at half-past two o'clock.

THE "KATE WATERS" TRAGEDY AGAIN.

Tahil and Awat, one a native of the Malay Peninsula, the other of Java, were charged with murder on the high seas on board the British barque *Kate Waters*. These men were brought to this port as prisoners from Labuan by H.M.S. *Kestrel* which arrived yesterday. They are believed to be the remainder of the men who on board this ill-fated barque, were concerned in the murder of the Captain and officers; and one of them, we believe, confessed to being the murderer of the Chief Officer. They have been sent on here by the Labuan authorities as the other three prisoners, who were found guilty and hanged, were with those also who testified against them. The only difficulty will be to get the witnesses together again who can give any evidence of the proceedings of these dreadful days.

Inspector Corcoran, who has charge of the case, applied for a remand for a week, which was granted.

Marine Court.

(Before H. G. Thomsett, Esq., R.N.)
Wednesday, Jan. 21.

BROACHING CARGO.

Patrick Scanlan, of the British barque *Middlesex*, appeared charged with broaching cargo on board ship on the 19th instant.

Captain Walsh, the master, said that the mate reported on the 19th instant that a case of ginger in the hold had been broken open, and on making enquiries he learned that defendant had been seen coming up from below with two jars of ginger in a bucket.

Andreas Thorsen, one of the ship's company, stated that on the 19th he was at work in the fore peak, between decks, along with two other men. The prisoner was in

the hold and called on witness to assist him in bringing up a bucket from below. The prisoner handed up a bucket of lime imbedded in which was a stone jar. Prisoner almost immediately afterwards came up from the hold and took the jar into the forecabin. Witness did not know the contents of the jar then, nor did he know that a box had been broken open.

Two other seamen who were working along with last witness gave corroborative evidence.

Prisoner in defence said he was at work in the hold, and seeing a case open he could not resist the temptation and took one jar.

His Worship sentenced the prisoner to pay \$1, the value of the jar of ginger, and to undergo one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

REFRATORY SEAMAN.

W. Richards and A. Hammond, seamen on board the *Middlesex*, were charged with refusal of duty on the 19th and 20th inst.

Captain Walsh said that the two prisoners refused to do duty on board, alleging as a reason that the soup issued to the crew was bad. The soup was the same as that supplied to the saloon table at which the officers of the ship had entertained guests.

On the 20th they came aft and wished to be taken ashore, which the Captain refused to do. The prisoner Richards has been in gaol before for disobedience and insubordination.

Both prisoners said that the soup was of inferior quality and the potatoes were not good; notwithstanding that the officers, and their friends had soup in the saloon. They did not believe it was the same soup.

The cook, on being called, said he had an experience of 27 years as cook and steward at sea. He received the meat and vegetables every morning when they were brought on board. The supply of each article appeared to be most ample. He did not make two kinds of soup, and the same soup was sent to the saloon table as was supplied to the men.

The first prisoner declined to return to duty in the ship, the second was willing to go and was released.

His Worship sentenced the first prisoner to one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE,
Hongkong, January 21, 1880.

SIR,—May I ask room for an explanation?

In my sermon on Sunday morning I did not intend to condemn theatricals generally. Whatever may be said on the general subject, I had in my mind at the time the "School for Scandal" solely, and I took for granted that all who heard me would so understand my allusion.

Applied to such a play, I do not think that my words were too strong. Is it stepping beyond the province of the Pulpit to express the feeling that such theatricals "glide on dangerous ground and are apt to slide, it may be imperceptibly and doubtless unintentionally, into at least the suggestion of evil?" These were the words I used, and they seem to me most temperate as well as most necessary with reference to a play, or even any modification of it, the original of which portrays, in an attractive and popular form, a rotten state of Society, and is utterly unfit for Christian instruction, married or unmarried, to read. With the original in my mind, I might well ask and I do ask still.

In every right-minded person here quite convinced that the modified representation of such a thing is perfectly innocent?

I do not believe that any who look at religion as a reality would wish the pulpit to deal only with colourless generalities. But if not, some things must be said at times that in a small community like this will seem to be mere personalities.

Monologue as the sermon is however, the congregation has many ways of replying, and where this is done in a fair and temperate spirit, as in your remarks in last night's issue, good will be done on both sides.

Yours &c.,
J. S. BURDON,
Bishop of Victoria.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1880.

SIR,—As a regular attendant upon the services in St. John's Cathedral, I take this opportunity to give expression to my deep appreciation of the sermon of the Right Rev. Bishop Burdon, and am conversant with many intellectual "heavenly words" as preached by him who recognizes his scriptural authority to "reprove, rebuke, and exhort."

In this too artificial life, it is good to have one place where we can hear the truth, even should it bring a sense of condemnation.

The Christ-like heroism and zeal that ignores all selfish considerations in the endeavour to direct others toward a higher, truer, and purer individuality, is manifested by Bishop Burdon in those plain talks and warnings, which are never intended to be personal, only in so far as any suggestion of error in prevalent customs, may be appropriated.

I have sympathized with the Bishop in those necessary appeals to the charity of his congregation (a most distasteful duty for a refined, sensitive nature), and have had to realize the contrast between the alacrity with which I subscribe to amusements and the hesitation in giving to these ennobling charities.

ONE OF THE CONGREGATION.

Latest News from Afghanistan.

FOUR DAYS' FIGHTING.—THE BRITISH TROOPS CARRY EVERYTHING BEFORE THEM.

The Indian telegrams brought on by the *Straits Times*, if rather meagre on the whole of a reassuring character and such as to prepare us for Reuters' telegram of a later date, announcing that reinforcements had reached General Roberts enabling him to disperse his assailants and recapture Cabul.

We append below the latest telegrams that appear in our Indian contemporaries. There seems to be no doubt that the result of the four days' fighting from the 11th to the 14th December was that General Roberts was either forced or deemed it the more prudent course to retire with his whole force into his entrenched camp at Sherpur, a mile and a half to north-

east of Cabul city, and there await reinforcements in perfect security and well supplied with guns, ammunition, food, and stores. His force amounted to 8,000 fighting men, two-thirds of whom were English troops. The telegraph line was cut on the 18th, but he appears to have been able to communicate with General Gough by helicopter to the Lattabund Pass, an easier alternate route to the Jagdulluk Pass, up to the 18th December. What happened between that date and the 30th December is not yet known, but it would appear that General Gough must have succeeded, in spite of the severe winter weather and the fierce opposition of the Ghilzais, in forcing his way through the Lattabund Pass and reaching Cabul, when Mahomed Jan and Mir Bateha and their forces were at once attacked and utterly routed. General Gough had with him something like 5,000 troops of all arms, and General Arbuthnot was following him to Gundamuk with another brigade of equal strength. Our troops therefore would appear to have carried everything before them, and there could be no apprehension of any further check or disaster. Nevertheless something like a panic seems to have prevailed in India and at Home for a short time after the news of the 14th December.

LATEST NEWS OF THE KABUL INSURRECTION.

Jalalabad, Dec. 16.—The Governor has absconded; the reason is unknown. The country is quiet, nor is disturbance anticipated. Information has been received that he proceeded to the Lughman valley, and was yesterday at the village of Mandirwar. Sirsardars Muddad Khan and Abdul Khalik Khan, who exercised the Government under Sir L. Cavagnari's arrangement, but were displaced by Yakub, are now appointed Governors. The following movements of troops have been ordered.—The 6th Light Infantry, 400 companies of the 45th Sikhs, and five companies of the 51st Light Infantry, go to Gandamak. The 12th Foot and 97th Punjab Infantry, from Lundukotal, are coming here.

Jalalabad, Dec. 17.—Military activity has much increased. Three companies of the 45th have left for Gandamak. General Arbuthnot and Staff leave to-day. Colonel Tweedie joins General Roberts' Staff. The telegraph is working well. There was a temporary interruption beyond Pezwan Kotal. The Kabul post keeps running in spite of all difficulties.

Jalalabad, Dec. 17.—General Gough with the vanguard of the Brigade, is entrenched in the ruins of a fort. The Ghilzais have crowned the hills on all sides, and have been firing at long ranges since last evening. The rear-guard was attacked near Jagdulluk Kotal yesterday, three miles back. There is no communication with Kabul or Gundamuk yet. Rain or snow is threatening, and the cold is severe. There are six days' provisions with the Brigade. The cholera form for Kabul is detained here. The 10th B. L. and the Gurkhas will try to open the road to the Kotal to-day. The strength here is 1,200 fighting men, which is ample. The enemy is reported to be 5,000 strong under Asmatulla. The Hossak Ghilzais threaten Pezwan.

Jalalabad, Dec. 17.—A small force is leaving now to open the line to Pezwan. The enemy are plundering on the road. Only a few shots were fired into the fort last night. The enemy have temporarily withdrawn. Asmatulla's army is supplied from the Lughman Valley.

Lahor, Dec. 17.—The *Civil and Military Gazette* publishes a letter from Kabul for Persian writers, dated the 15th instant, stating that the Zurmang, Mangals, and others had assembled large forces, and combined with others would number sixty thousand. The majority of the inhabitants at Kabul are strongly disaffected. European troops and artillery have left Pezwan for the front. The 4th Bengal Cavalry left Mian Mir to-day. The latest telegram from General Roberts intimates that the enemy's numbers have increased. The natives at Peshawar are much excited. Apprehensions are felt regarding the Khaisir; the tribes at present are quiet.

Alahabad, Dec. 18.—Kabul, Dec. 13.—The success to-day was most unequalled, but the country is still up in arms. Daud Shah has been arrested.

Alahabad, Dec. 18.—A telegram from Jalalabad of the 17th states that General Arbuthnot and staff leave to-day for Gandamak; Colonel Tweedie, Political Agent to the Khyber force, is also ordered to join General Roberts. Warburton sets for him. Colonel Boisragon from Lundukotal, with the 30th Punjab Infantry and three companies of the 12th Regiment, has been ordered by telegram to proceed to Jalalabad and await orders there. There is a serious block of ammunition stores at Jhelum. The Government bullock train is unequal to the continued strain, and there is no shelter at Jhelum for the material awaiting transport to the front. The *Pioneer*, reviewing the aspect of affairs at Kabul, says it is difficult to think or write of the past policy complacently. The difficulties confronting General Roberts might have been foreseen, as they must have been foreseen. Remonstrations are idle, as a half-hearted policy, the chiefly deserve it. A Kabul letter of the 4th inst. mentions that the mother of Yakub Khan is the author of the disturbances, through agents, and also the Kohistanis, who are clamouring for a subsidy, while others are busy organising bands against us. The governors of districts appointed by General Roberts are rejected by the people and their lives are in peril.

Captain M. C. Brackenbury, R.E., Private Secretary to Sir Andrew Clarke, has started with Lord William Buresford A.D.C. of the 9th Lancers, to join the Cabul Field Force.

Bombay, Dec. 19.—A Special Telegram to the Times of India states that the Kabul news has excited general indignation. The Viceroy is condemned for delay in reinforcing General Roberts. The Times demands a disavowal of annexation.

Bombay, Dec. 19.—Strong indignation is felt here because of the Government of India's obstinate dependence on the impracticable northern route. It is considered here that an advance ought immediately to be undertaken from Kandahar. Stores and munitions are abundant at Quetta and Kandahar. The *Bombay Gazette* urges that Stewart's force is strong enough to be ordered to Ghazni and Kabul immediately. The *Gazette* denounces the Viceroy as utterly incapable, and at the mercy of local cliques.

Calcutta, Dec. 19.—The latest news received at Jalalabad from General Roberts is dated 14th—his force was well entrenched at Sherpur, and he could hold his own.

From Pezwan Kotal, dated 18th.—Gen. Gough advanced from Jagdulluk on 17th. No details of his operations have been received.

From Jalalabad, dated 18th.—Colonel Norman left Jalalabad on the 17th to support General Gough, taking two Hamars, a detachment of the 24th, the 2nd Gurkhas, a detachment of Sappers, and a detachment of the 72nd, to co-operate. Colonel Aton, with a detachment of the 51st, left Jalalabad on the 18th in further support and communicated with General Gough's force during the day. No serious opposition. General Gough advances as soon as he gets supplies. Convoys will go daily.

General Arbuthnot's brigade is concentrating at Gandamak. The Mohmands and Shinwaris are still expecting, in spite of all attempts of Mullahs to stir them up. Alahabad, Dec. 19.—Jalalabad, Dec. 17.—Charles Gough's advanced Brigade reached this last night, having performed the distance from Gandamak in one march. Asmatulla Khan, assisted by his Lieutenant, Dairam Khan, attacked the camp last night with a considerable number of Ghilzais and others. The enemy seemed very half-hearted in their movements, firing mostly at considerable ranges, and never once attempting to assault the trench, although it was fully expected they would. Some volleys passed over the camp. There were no casualties on our side. It is reported that the telegraph wire is cut, and the road blocked between this and Gandamak.

Pezwan, Dec. 18.—Major Rowcroft is attacking the enemy from the Jagdulluk Kotal, and Norman from Pezwan. Colonel Aton has communicated with Gough's force. The enemy are not bold, but hold all the surrounding heights in great numbers. The Jagdulluk Kotal was attacked last night, and Major Rowcroft was opposed soon after leaving Jagdulluk fort, where General Gough's outposts are engaged.

Calcutta, Dec. 20.—A telegram received on the 18th inst., from Colonel Aton at Pezwan states that on the previous night Colonel Norman bivouacked out and was fired on. Two men were slightly wounded. He returned to Pezwan on the night of the 18th inst., all well. Colonel Mansingh's casualties on the 18th inst. were two men wounded. On the night of the same day Jagdulluk was fired on, one man being severely wounded. Numbers of Ghilzais were out, but seemed only rabble, and the attack was so far reported insignificant. The Khugliani tribes between Kozanbad and Surkhat are reported as being still on our side.

Dec. 20.—General Bright telegraphs on the 18th inst. that the latest news from Gandamak reported that all was quiet there. The road was open to Pezwan, and a convoy was just going out there. General Bright further reports that all is quiet at present from Gandamak downwards.

Kandahar, Dec. 18.—There are prospects of fresh disturbances at Khatel-Ghilzai. Sahib Jan's brother is said to have collected a body of Ghazis in the neighbourhood. Parties have been sent to attack them. This movement threatens to disturb General Stewart's isolation.

Calcutta, Dec. 20.—No further details regarding Herat affairs have reached Kandahar. From Khatel-Ghilzai it is reported that all is quiet. The tribes of that neighbourhood show no signs of dissatisfaction. The health of the Europeans at Kandahar is excellent. There have been exchanges of shots between our troops and tribes at Jagdulluk. Two or three of our men were wounded. Numbers of Ghilzais were seen. Resistance seems hitherto contemptible.

Calcutta, Dec. 21.—News has been received from General Roberts, dated Kabul 18th December, 6 p.m., and Pezwan, 21st December, 8.30 a.m. General Roberts says he has been in telegraphic communication with Lattabund for a few minutes, and learns that General Gough had not yet advanced beyond Gandamak. He urges General Gough's immediate advance in light order, without tents, and with only ammunition and five or six days' supplies. He says there is no enemy between Gandamak and Kabul to stop General Gough; that he will be able to settle affairs at Kabul as soon as General Gough joins him; and that nothing will so rapidly and effectually render the line of communication safe as being in strength at Kabul.

General Gough, having received reinforcements and supplies, marches to-day for Kabul with 500 of the 9th Foot, and a detachment of the 72nd Highlanders; 800 of the 2nd and 4th Gurkhas; one company of Sappers, a detachment of the 10th Bengal Lancers and the Hazara Mountain Battery—altogether 1,400 men and four guns. He will pick up Colonel Hudson with about 700 men and two guns at Lattabund.

Colonel Norman, with the 5th Sikhs, one company of Sappers, a troop of the 10th Bengal Lancers, and two guns of the Royal Horse Artillery, holds Pezwan. Two companies of the Sappers, one company of the 24th Punjab Infantry, and a detachment of the 10th Bengal Lancers hold the Jagdulluk Kotal; and seven companies of the 24th Punjab Infantry, 120 men of the 10th Bengal Lancers, and two guns of the Hazara Mountain Battery remain to garrison the Jagdulluk Fort.

THE MANILA EXPORT TRADE.

The following is a rough estimate of the exportation during the year 1879 from Manila, Cebu and Iloilo as given by the *Manila Comercio*:—

THE PRINCIPAL EXPORTS FROM MANILA.

Hemp.—There were exported to the Atlantic ports of the United States 284,776 piculs; 226,156 to England; 29,000 to California; 8,500 to the Continent of Europe; 8,073 to Australia; 4,589 to Singapore; 1,784 to China; making in all 567,877 piculs, against 531,280 in 1878. The figures of 1879 are the highest for the last ten years; the 567,877 piculs represent a total value of \$4,827,000.

Sugar.—The exportation under this head also shows an increase. During the period under notice, 210,043 piculs were exported to the United States; 844,081 to England; 45,426 to California; 24,811 to Europe; 266 to Singapore; 92,785 to China; making a total of 1,217,415 piculs, against 1,008,008 in 1878; the value may be estimated at \$9,233,000.

THE PRINCIPAL EXPORT FROM CEBU.

Hemp.—There were despatched from this port during last year, 23,759 piculs to the United States; 43,902 to England; 4,028 to Australia; in all 71,689, against 133,749 in 1878, and the estimated value was \$646,000.

Sugar.—As in hemp, a smaller exportation was effected in sugar during 1879, compared with the previous year; there were despatched during the year under notice: 47,912 piculs to the United States; and 128,065 piculs to England; making in all 175,977 piculs, against 246,836 piculs exported during 1878; the value of that exported in 1879 may be estimated at \$901,000.

THE PRINCIPAL EXPORT FROM ILOILO.

Hemp.—Although this article is still of little importance in this province—there being times when not a single picul was exported during a whole year—there were despatched during 1879 6,000 piculs to the United States, and 2,400 to England, being in all 8,400 piculs, against 2,400 piculs despatched in 1878; the value of the last export is estimated at \$44,000.

Sugar.—To the United States 578,174 piculs; 142,371 to England; 7124 to Europe; and 24,392 to China; making in all 752,951 piculs, against 685,325 piculs in 1878; and valued at \$3,850,000.

The total export of these two principal articles effected through Manila, Cebu and Iloilo during the last year and compared with 1878 show:—

	1878.	1879.
Hemp,	647,950 pic.	667,378 pic.
Sugar,	2,145,423 "	1,890,259 "

The other articles exported from the three above-named ports are:—Sapanwood, 103,135 piculs, with an approximate value of \$116,000; Cigars, 94,590 millions, valued at \$1,184,943.03; Coffee, 64,391 piculs, valued at \$1,287,000; Hemp Rope, 8,871 piculs, valued at \$98,000; Indigo, 3,161 quintales, valued at \$125,000; Tobacco leaf, 4,910 quintales, valued at \$78,494; Mother of Pearl Shells, 651 piculs, valued at \$36,000; Hides, 4,693 piculs, valued at \$35,500; Copper of Manayan, 1,237 quintales, valued at \$15,000; Almaciga (Vashti-ronum), 1,313 piculs, valued at \$6,000; and other various articles valued at \$100,000; taking as a whole, the export of 1879 gives an approximate sum of \$18,705,937, as against \$17,470,305 in 1878.

The number of vessels which entered the port of Manila during 1879 are:—

Nationality.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
Spanish.....	98.....	4.....	102
British.....	90.....	28.....	118
American.....	10.....	24.....	34
German.....	15.....	10.....	25
French.....	5.....	1.....	6
Norwegian.....	2.....	.....	2
Italian.....	3.....	.....	3
Danish.....	1.....	.....	1
Siamese.....	1.....	.....	1
Swedish.....	1.....	.....	1
	226	67	293

Of these, 146 were vessels propelled by steam, 36 ships, 96 barques, 8 brigs, 3 brig-schooners, 4 schooners; with an aggregate tonnage of 188,527.

China.

TIENTSIN.
December 16th, 1879.

On Friday, the 5th December, we had the first really severe northerly blow this season, which next day showed its effects, in large quantities of ice being seen floating down the river, and a very noticeable falling of the water. The Municipal authorities of this very model settlement will have to spend much money this winter, in re-making nearly the whole of the new part of the bund, which was put up and apparently looked after, by a gentleman full of criticism of what had been done before, and who thought he would signalize his term of office by showing how such work ought to be done. What a result!

The last sailing vessel *Willie* left Taku on the 5th instant, bound to Hakodadi. The usual anchorage for sailing craft here, is now occupied by five or six of the Greek masted things that carry a big gun at the bow, and the dues chargeable on them for mooring off the bund, will be a welcome addition to the Municipal funds.

High water at Taku on the 7th, 6 feet 6 in.

A new Club is in course of erection on one of the back lots in the settlement, which may be possibly occupied in a few weeks. To partly defray the cost of this grand affair, a lottery has been started, 1,000 tickets at \$5. The highest prize is to be \$1,000 and the others make up the total to \$8,000, so that a good profit will be made. The scheme seems to be working well, and tickets are freely selling. What an opening the success of this lottery will give us. If, say, we want a new jetty, a new watering cart, a recreation ground, or some new lawn-tennis balls, we have only to start a lottery with a paying margin, and we are in funds at once.

Our community, as usual at this time of year, is greatly reduced. Two of the departing people are homeward bound, viz., Mr. R. J. Forrest, and Professor Bekka, M.S.T.E., president of the Imperial Togo College.

The postal arrangements for the winter are announced, and they certainly impress one most favourably. It is to be hoped that the execution of the plan will be successful, so that what threatens to be a dull and tedious winter, may be at short intervals enlivened by the receipt of news, but not bills, from the outer world.

Mr. N. Lenzy, of the Russian Consular service, has passed through this en route to Kashgar, to take charge of the Consulate which is to be established there.

The weather at the time of writing is fine and warm; little ice is so seen in the river, but the ponds on the plain are frozen strong enough to allow of skating in the forenoon.

We are well furnished with fighting craft. There is French *Lynx*, English *Maquillo*, Russian *Sokol*, American *Paton*, Chinese *Tao-Kuang*, *Ching-Hai*, and the eight Greek-named vessels that have each a sensational gun forward.

Li Hung-chang has left for Pao-ting too, his winter quarters.—*Shanghai Mercury* Cor.

JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA.
(Gazette.)

The Japanese press is devoted to the question of the establishment of a national representative assembly, upon the basis which the ex-Sangi Itagaki, Soyoshima, Goto, and others set out in a petition in 18

Mails.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. *SUMIDA MARU*, Captain HUBERT, due here on or about the 19th Instant, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th Jan., at Day-light.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 23rd January. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To KOBE.....Cabin \$60. Steerage \$15.
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A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, January 10, 1880. ja24



STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON, VIA BOMBAY;

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BOHARA, Capt. W. D. ANDERSON, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 28th Instant, at 11 p.m.

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A. MEYER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1880. ja23

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

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THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF TOKIO

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 2 p.m., the 3rd February. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 13, 1880. ja24

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TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

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Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 24th February. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

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G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 17, 1880. ja25

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MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,

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Hongkong, January 19, 1880. ja26

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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J. BRADLEE SMITH,

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Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

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Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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Hongkong, July 4, 1875.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

- Section.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Bombay	2 h	Goggins	Brit. str.	740	Jan. 15	Kwok Acheong	Safong	24th, daylight
Chin-tung	4 h	Winnor	Ohl. str.	835	Jan. 21	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	at daylight
Claverhouse	5 k	Brown	Brit. str.	734	Jan. 15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Hollow & Haiphong	Sands' Slip
Conquest	5 h	Elphick	Brit. str.	318	Jan. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports	at daylight
Douglas	5 h	Young	Brit. str.	864	Jan. 18	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	S'hai & Yokohama	
Escombia	5 h	Wildgoose	Brit. str.	1408	Jan. 21	Birley & Co.	Tug Plying	
Fame	5 h	Stapan	Brit. str.	117	Jan. 20	H. K. & W'poo Dock Co.	Hollow and Pakhoi	23rd, daylight
Hainan	5 h	Comner	Amer. str.	281	Jan. 9	Russell & Co.	Australian Ports	Cost'ns Dock
Manmair	5 c	Ellis	Brit. str.	1247	Jan. 10	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Nagasaki	K'loon Dock
Norma	5 h	Love	Brit. str.	606	May 31	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama	Mails
Paladin	5 h	Parker	Brit. str.	897	Jan. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	24th, daylight
Sea Gull	3 k	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 31	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Yokohama	K'loon Dock
Sunda	5 c	Reeves	Brit. str.	1000	Jan. 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Samuda Maru	4 c	Hybenet	Japan. str.	826	Jan. 18	Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	24th, daylight
Swatow	5 h	Hutcheson	Brit. str.	820	Jan. 4	Butterfield & Swire	Yokohama	K'loon Dock
Thales	5 h	Peters	Brit. str.	820	Dec. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Tibre	5 c	Reynier	Fah. str.	1004	Jan. 18	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails
Sailing Vessels								
Alden Bessie	4 k	Noyes	Amer. bge.	842	Dec. 16	Rozario & Co.	Portland	New York
Alice Reed	5 c	Killoran	Amer. bge.	873	Dec. 6	Vogel & Co.	Portland	New York
Bonito	4 c	Wassenberg	Ger. bge.	624	Dec. 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Portland	New York
Brunette	7 c	Dow	Brit. bge.	375	Jan. 20	Order	Portland	New York
Bua Cao	2 c	Lange	Slam. bge.	338	Jan. 20	Chinese	Portland	New York
Carl	4 c	Thomson	Ger. bge.	225	Dec. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Portland	New York
Claro Babuyan	4 c	Polson	Brit. bge.	368	Nov. 29	Vogel & Co.	Portland	New York
Colon	4 k	Noyes	Amer. bge.	852	Jan. 20	Rozario & Co.	Portland	New York
Duke of Abercorn	3 k	Binnle	Brit. sh.	1049	Jan. 20	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Portland	New York
Emma	3 k	Miehelgung	Ger. Sm. sc.	239	Jan. 20	Captain	Portland	New York
Empire	7 c	Leckie	Amer. sh.	1131	Dec. 21	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Portland	New York
Floral Star	4 c	Davison	Brit. Sm. sc.	244	Jan. 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Portland	New York
Frederick Perthes	5 c	Walter	Ger. bge.	446	Nov. 29	Russell & Co.	Portland	New York
Frohlich	4 c	Sobero	Ger. bge.	360	Jan. 14	Chinese	Portland	New York
Garibaldi	8 c	Forbes	Amer. bge.	670	Dec. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	Wanchai
Glandnorwig	5 c	Jones	Brit. bge.	1081	Jan. 16	Melchers & Co.	Portland	New York
Gollah	2 c	Dentsau	Slam. bge.	542	Nov. 26	Wo Yee Hong	Portland	New York
Harmonie	5 k	Schiphoret	Ger. sch.	241	Nov. 26	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Haydn Brown	7 c	Havener	Amer. bge.	865	Dec. 11	Melchers & Co.	Honolulu	
Hecla	8 c	Day	Amer. sh.	1529	Jan. 19	Order	Honolulu	
Hermine	2 c	Counzrau	Swed. bge.	289	Dec. 26	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	London	
Hesperus	7 c	Specht	Ger. bge.	767	Dec. 26	Siemssen & Co.	London	
Highlander	4 k	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
John Nicholson	7 c	Campbell	Brit. sh.	685	Dec. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
Lady Aberdour	5 c	Hutchinson	Brit. bge.	287	Jan. 13	Chinese	San Francisco	
Mabel	8 c	Hallett	Amer. bge.	782	Jan. 15	Captain	San Francisco	
Mary J. Leslie	7 c	Barking	Brit. bge.	815	Jan. 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	San Francisco	
Middlesex	7 c	Waleh	Brit. sh.	1191	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Montara	4 c	Schneider	Ger. sch.	93	Jan. 17	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	
Morning Star	2 h	Michaelsen	Slam. bge.	570	Dec. 27	Chinese	New York	
Moses B. Tower	8 c	Hall	Am. bkline.	637	Nov. 30	Vogel & Co.	Bangkok	
Papa	5 c	Bannau	Ger. bge.	348	Dec. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
Prince Frederick	4 c	Clague	Brit. sh.	1493	Dec. 28	Vogel & Co.	London	
Saml. D. Carleton	7 c	Freeman	Amer. bge.	884	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Spartan	8 k	Vincent	Amer. sch.	81	Aug. 31	W. H. Ray	London	
Sumatra	3 k	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.	London	
Tartar	4 c	Kaemena	Ger. bg.	266	Jan. 17	Melchers & Co.	London	
Villa de Rivadavia	3 c	Camus	Span. bg.	274	Jan. 15	Brandao & Co.	London	
Winlow	4 k	Barker	Brit. bge.	456	Nov. 28	Vogel & Co.	London	
WHAMPOA								
Fantale	3 k	Cooper	Brit. bge.	693	Dec. 15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Hermine	7 c	Meyer	Ger. bge.	350	Jan. 21	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	London	
Hesperus	7 c	Johannsen	Ger. str.	1136	Jan. 9	Siemssen & Co.	London	
Roderick Hay	3 k	Nicolson	Brit. bge.	290	Jan. 14	Turner & Co.	London	
Sophie	4 k	Bang	Ger. bg.	209	Jan. 21	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
CANTON								
Amoy	3 k	Drewes	Brit. str.	814	Jan. 19	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Cheloo	3 k	Williams	Brit. str.	684	Jan. 18	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	
	3 k	Thomas	Brit. str.	709	Jan. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	